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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Conyers:

This is in response to your letter to Attorney General Ashcroft dated June 18, 2003, regarding the investigation by the Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Inspector General, into allegations that Homeland Security resources were misused in response to a request from the Texas Department of Public Safety. The Department of Justice is aware of this matter and we assure you that it will be handled appropriately and impartially.

We appreciate your writing to express your concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "William E. Moschella".

William E. Moschella
Assistant Attorney General

cc: The Honorable F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr.
Chairman